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- 9 sheet(s) of informal  formal drawings.
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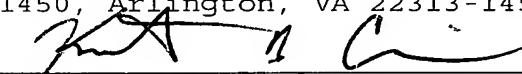
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